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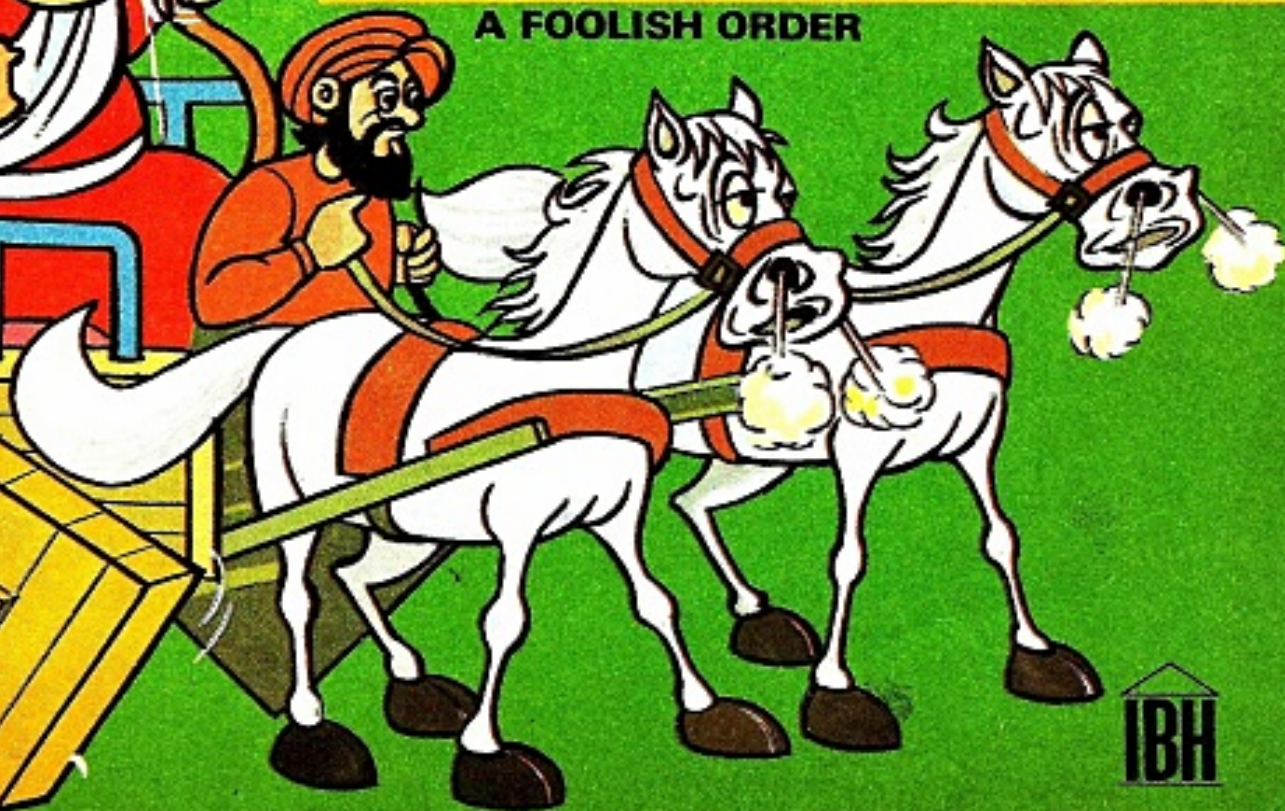
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FOR CHILDREN  
FROM THE HOUSE OF  
AMAR CHITRA KATHA



THE MOUSE THAT WOULDN'T CHANGE



A FOOLISH ORDER







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# AN EXCITING FINISH

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For sheer excitement few cricket matches can equal the Test match played between Australia and the West Indies at Brisbane in 1960. It constituted a glorious chapter in the annals of Test cricket.

The West Indies won the toss and their captain, Frank Worrell, elected to bat.

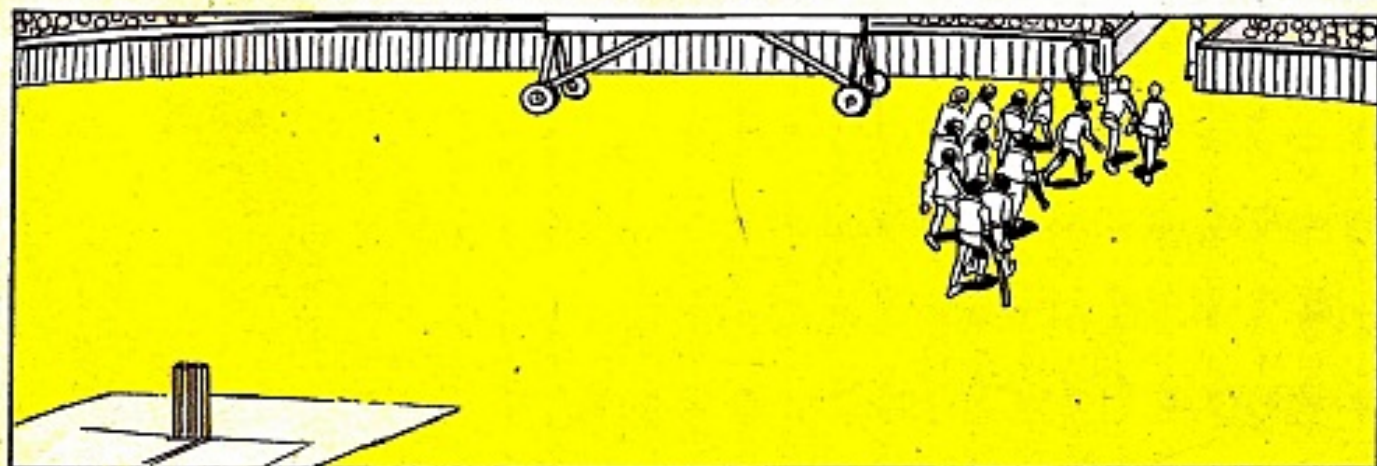
Alan Davidson, the great fast bowler, opened the attack for Australia. He struck some quick blows and the first three West Indian batsmen were out cheaply, Conrad Hunte for 24, C. Smith for 7 and Rohan Kanhai for 15.



But the innings was stabilized by some glorious batting from Gary Sobers who made 132 and Frank Worrell who scored 65. Finally the West Indies ended up making 453.



The Australians too gave a fitting reply. They built up a massive total of 505 runs. O'Neill with 181 and Simpson with 92 were the top-scorers.





In the second innings the West Indies had to face some great-hearted bowling by Alan Davidson who took 6 wickets for 87 runs. They just managed to make 284 runs.

Australia needed only 233 runs to win and the crowd was jubilant for it seemed an easy enough task.

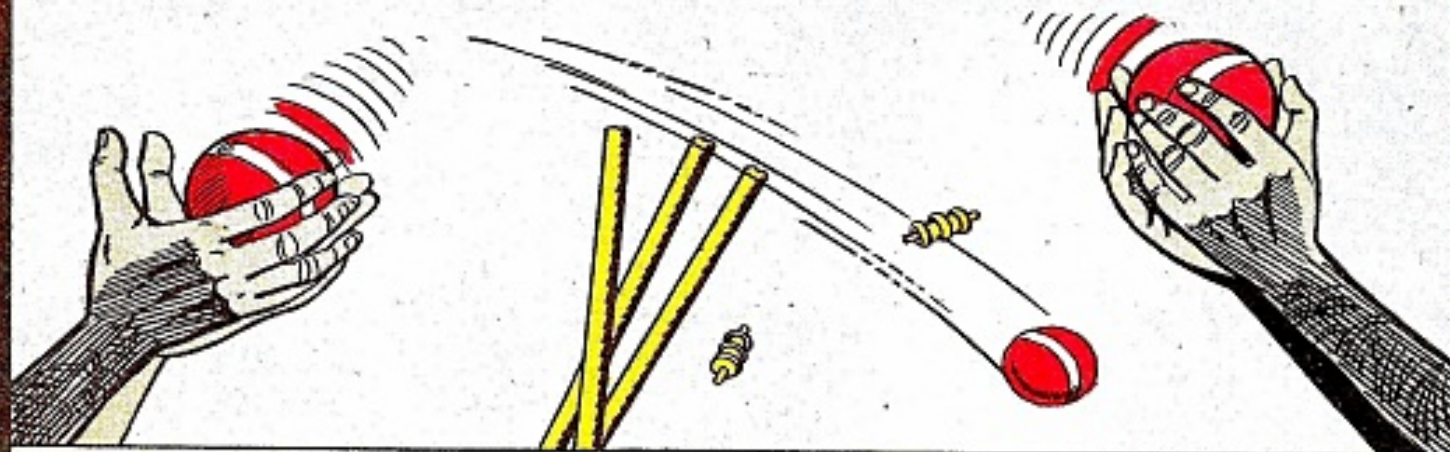
But they were blissfully unaware of the drama that was about to unfold.



The Australians began their innings disastrously losing the wickets of two of their best batsmen, Simpson and Neil Harvey for just seven runs.

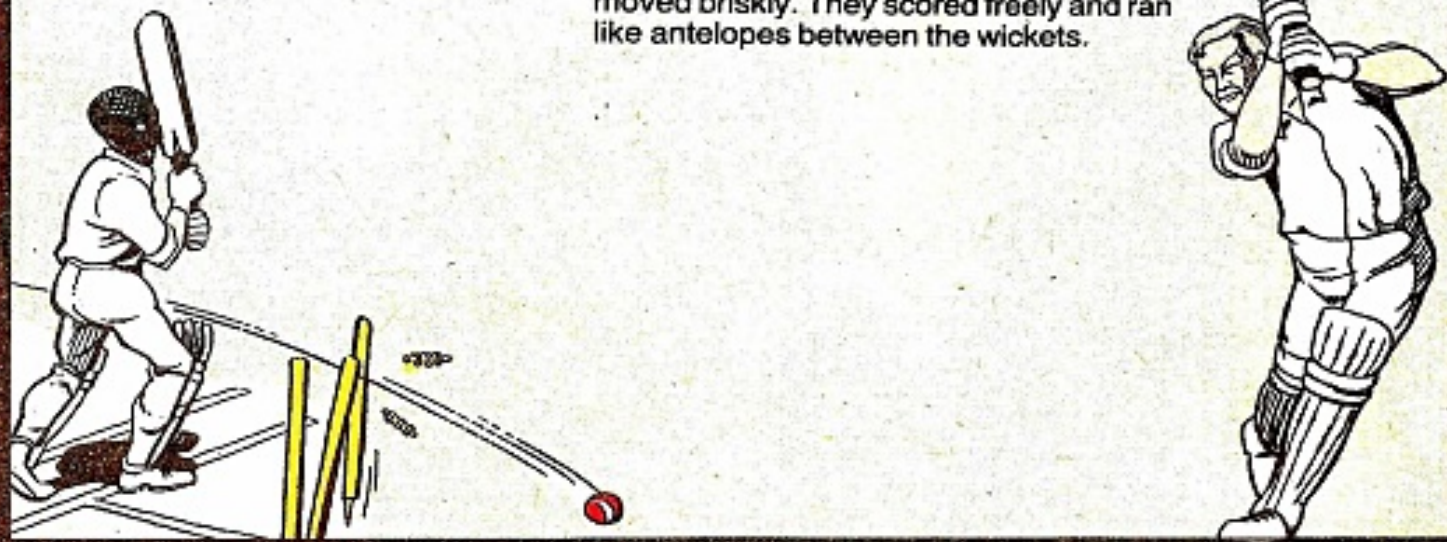
Soon they lost 3 more wickets — O'Neill, McDonald and Favell — all out cheaply.

The total score was ridiculously low — 57 runs for 5 wickets.



Now Alan Davidson joined Mackay at the crease and they pushed the score along till Mackay was bowled. Now it was 92 for 6.

It still looked like a West Indies victory when the captain, Richie Benaud, took strike. Benaud and Davidson soon assumed control of the game and the score moved briskly. They scored freely and ran like antelopes between the wickets.

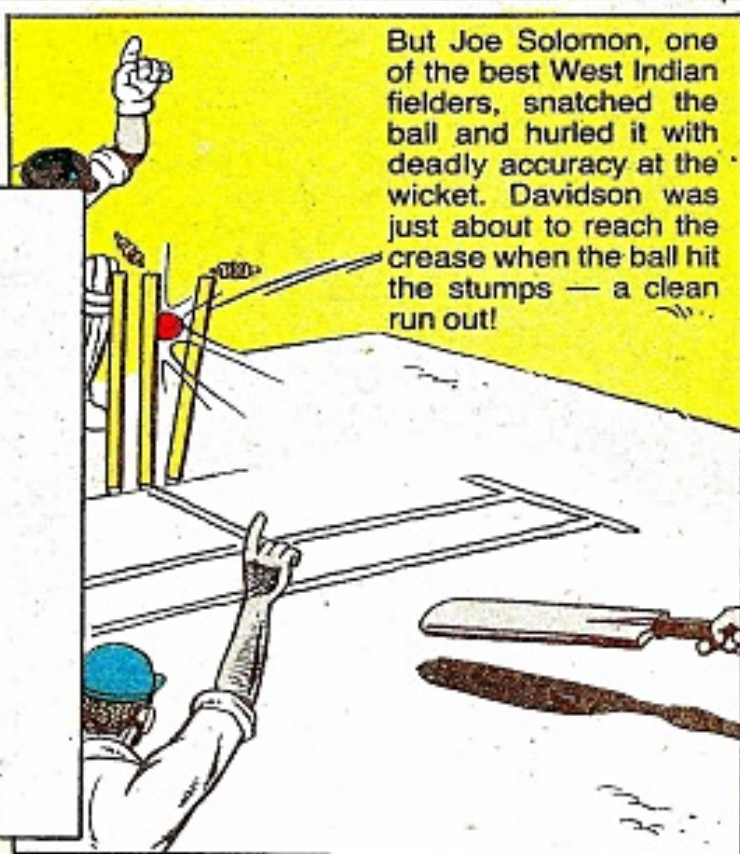




With 10 minutes and two overs to go, the game had completely swung Australia's way. They needed just 9 runs to win and the crowd was ecstatic!

But the game was about to take another dramatic twist!

Gary Sobers began the penultimate over. He conceded two singles in the first two balls. The next ball was pushed to square leg by Benaud and the batsmen started off for a run.

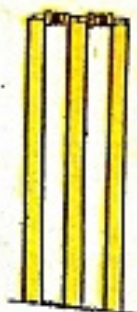


But Joe Solomon, one of the best West Indian fielders, snatched the ball and hurled it with deadly accuracy at the wicket. Davidson was just about to reach the crease when the ball hit the stumps — a clean run out!

Australia still had a chance — they needed 7 runs and still had 3 wickets in hand. Wicket-Keeper Wally Grout, the next man in, played two balls and got a single. 6 runs to win!

Now Wes Hall came in to bowl the last over. The nerves of every man on the ground were stretched tight when Hall bowled the first ball and Grout got a single off it — 5 to win.

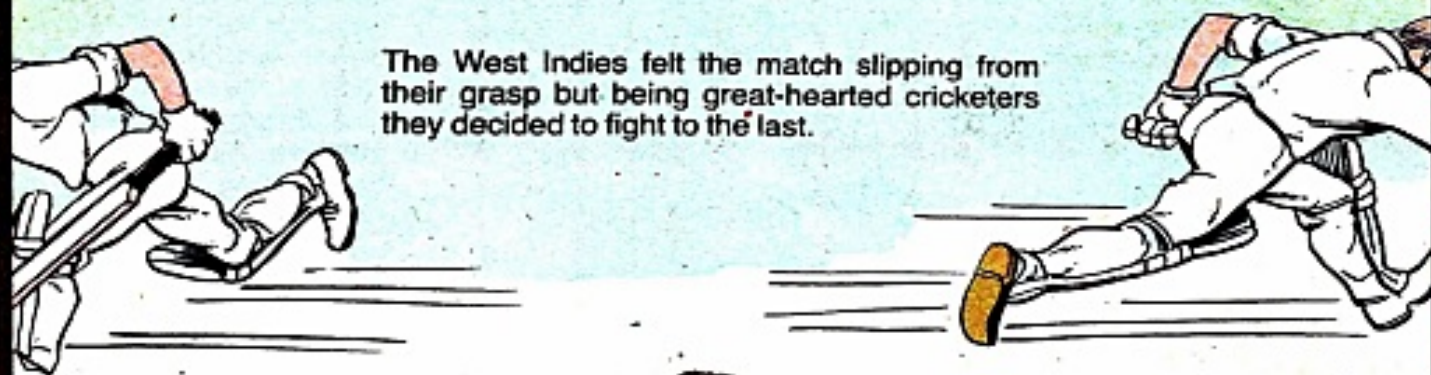
The next ball was a bumper which Benaud tried to hook but mistimed the shot. The ball hit the glove and he was caught behind — another wicket gone.



2 wickets in hand,  
5 runs to win!

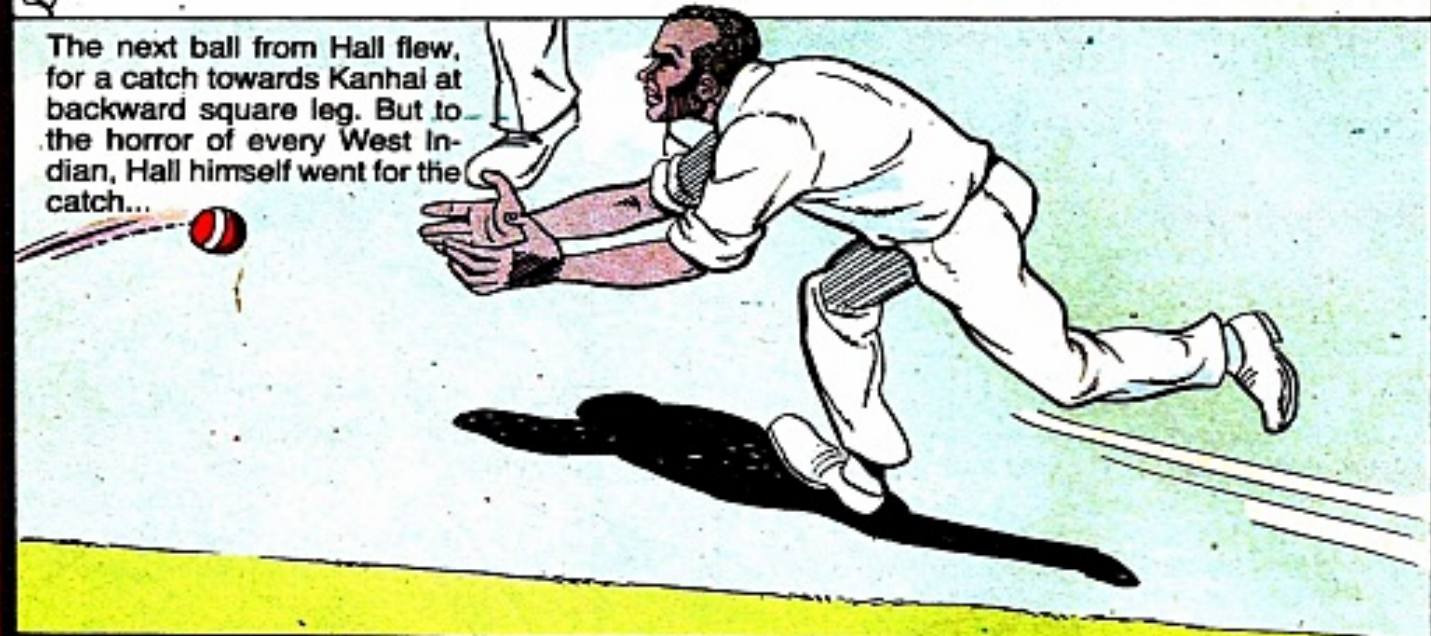


Ian Meckiff was the next man in. He managed to get a run off the second ball he played at. 4 runs to win, 4 balls left!

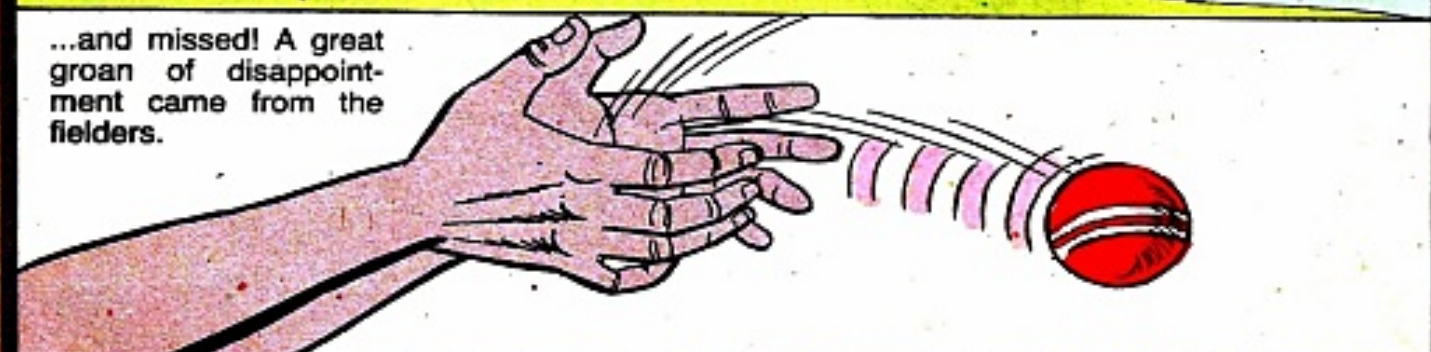


The West Indies felt the match slipping from their grasp but being great-hearted cricketers they decided to fight to the last.

The next ball from Hall flew for a catch towards Kanhai at backward square leg. But to the horror of every West Indian, Hall himself went for the catch...



...and missed! A great groan of disappointment came from the fielders.



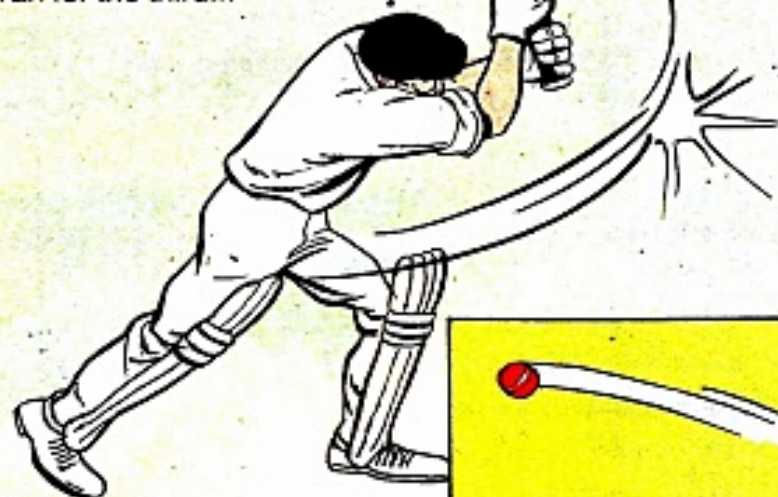
Meanwhile the batsmen had crossed over.



3 balls to go!  
3 runs to win!

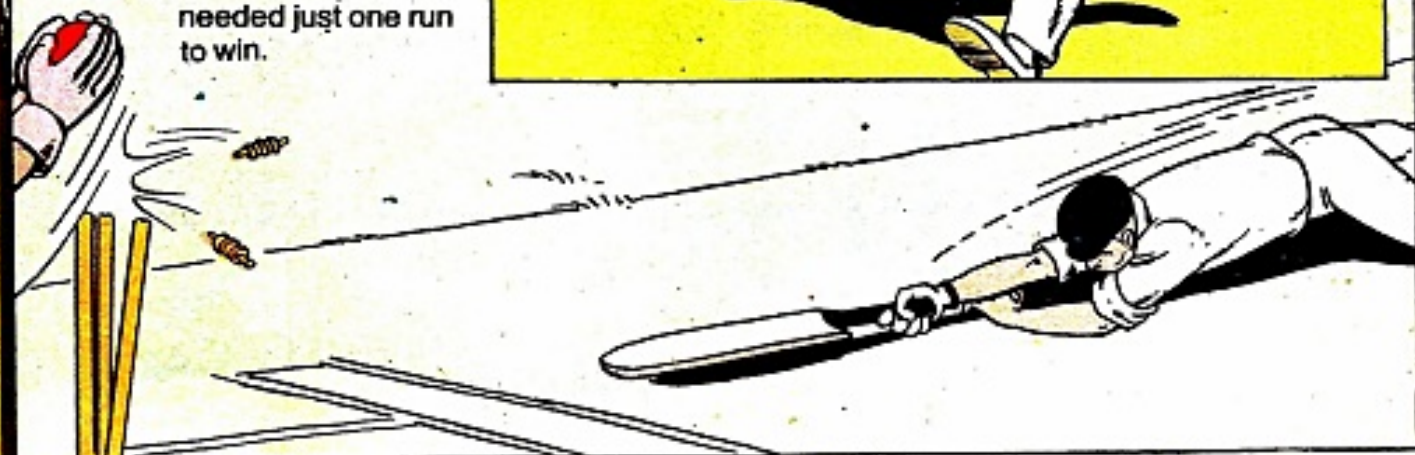
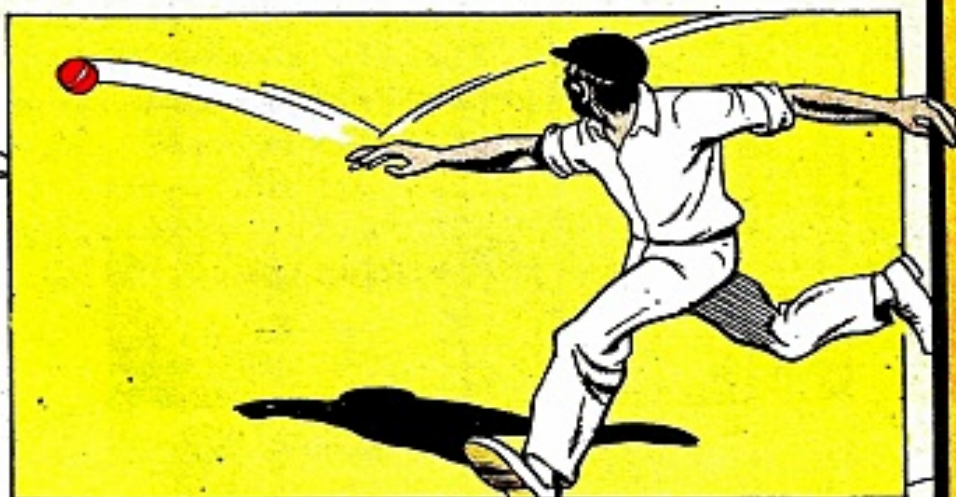


Ian Meckiff hit the next ball towards the boundary. The batsmen took two runs and ran for the third...



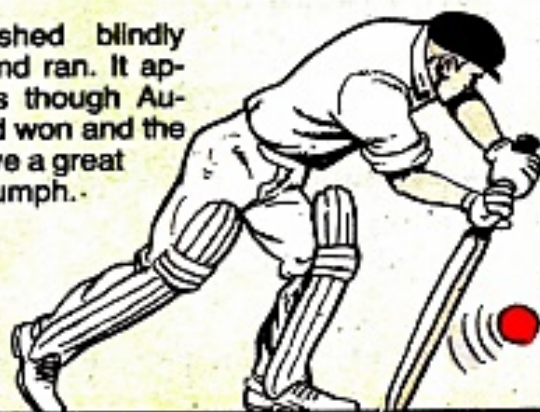
But Hunte ran like a hare and threw the ball towards the wicket keeper, Alexander.

Wally Grout flung himself forward, but it was too late, for the wicket-keeper had whipped off the bails — he had been run out by a cat's whisker. The scores were now level and Australia needed just one run to win.

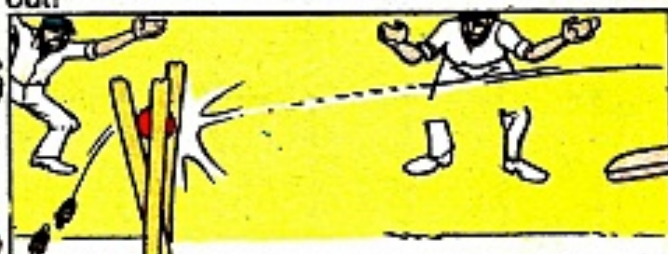


Every nerve in the ground was strained and the tension was terrific as Hall came running to bowl the next ball to the new man Kline.

Kline pushed blindly forward and ran. It appeared as though Australia had won and the crowd gave a great roar of triumph.



But Joe Solomon ran to forward shortleg, picked up the ball and threw it at the stumps flattening it with Meckiff inches away — a tremendous run out!



The match had ended in a tie — the first ever!

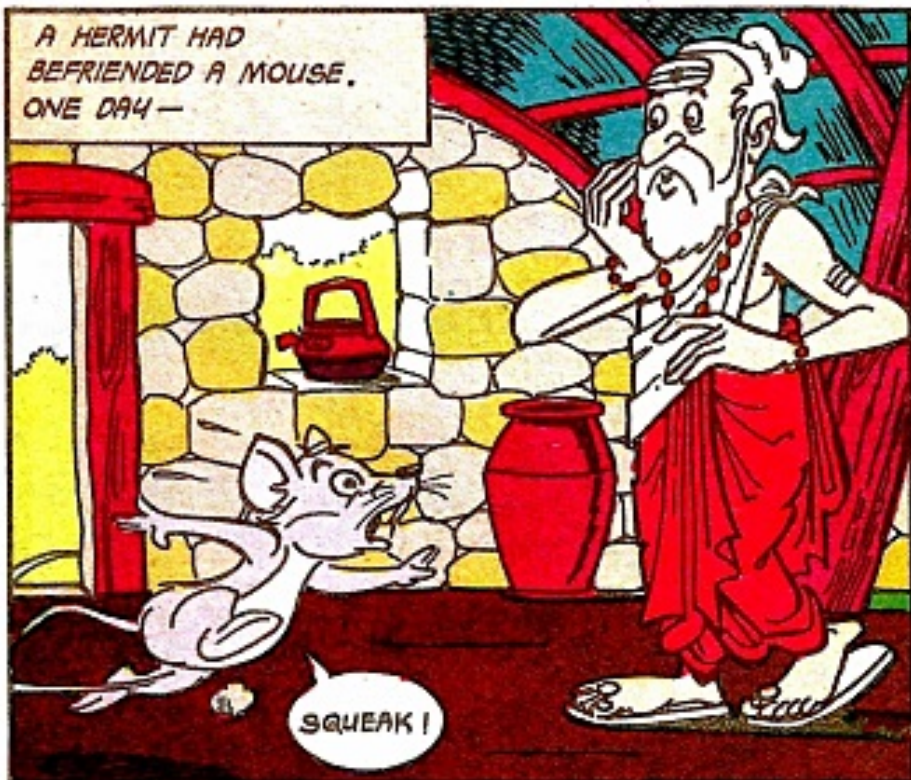


# The Mouse That Wouldn't Change

—An Indian Folktale

Script : Luis Fernandes  
Illustrations : Teegies

A HERMIT HAD  
BEFRIENDED A MOUSE.  
ONE DAY —



WHAT'S THE  
MATTER?

THERE'S A CAT  
OUTSIDE. I AM  
SO FRIGHTENED.



PLEASE  
HELP ME.

I WILL STAY HERE  
FOR THE NIGHT.



WHEN THE MOUSE  
WOKE UP THE NEXT  
DAY —  
WHAT  
W-WHAT'S  
HAPPENED?

I'VE TURNED  
YOU INTO A CAT.

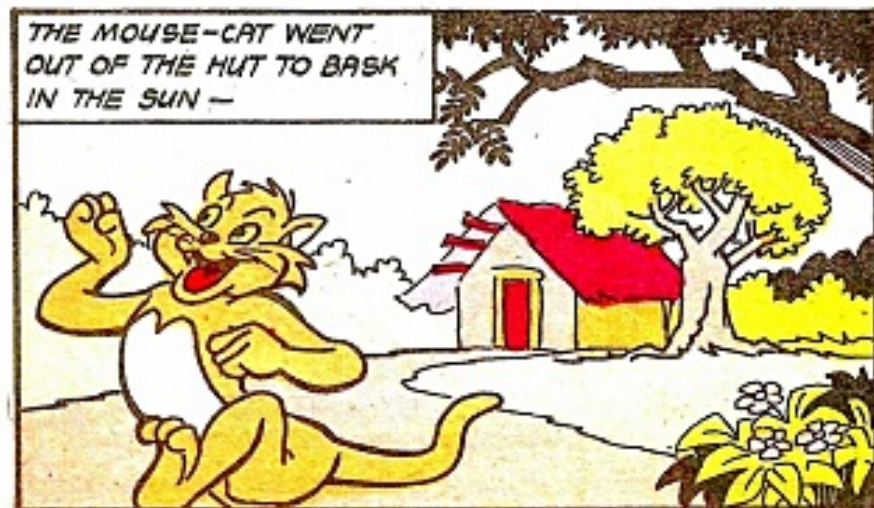


NOW THE CAT  
OUTSIDE WILL  
NEVER BE ABLE  
TO FRIGHTEN  
YOU.

THIS IS A GREAT  
DAY FOR  
ME.

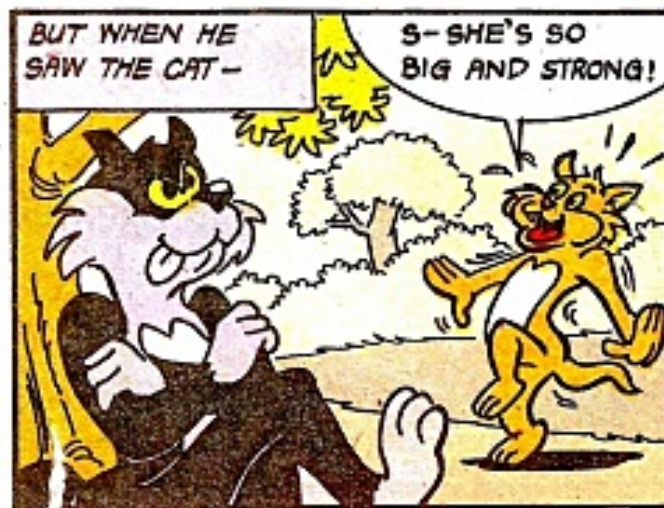


THE MOUSE-CAT WENT  
OUT OF THE HUT TO BASK  
IN THE SUN —

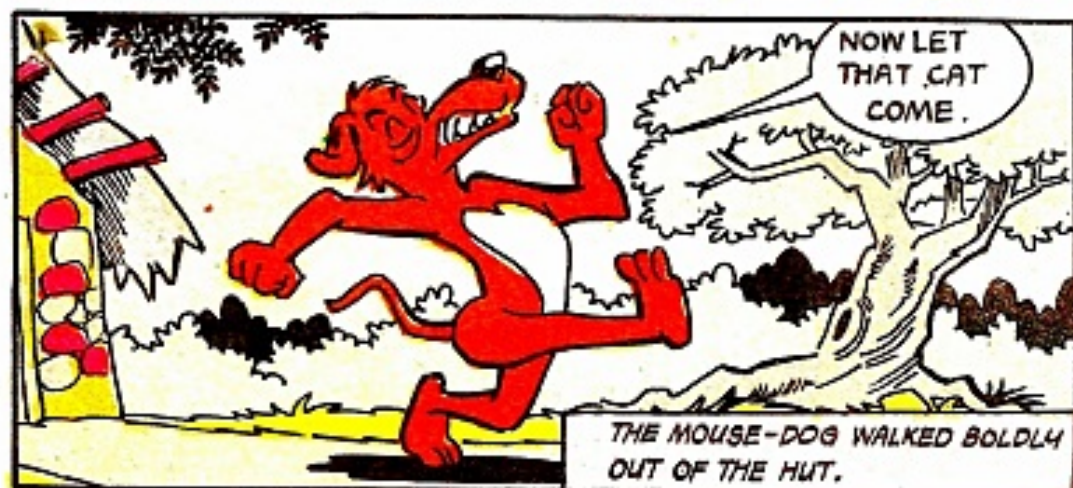


BUT WHEN HE  
SAW THE CAT —

S-SHE'S SO  
BIG AND STRONG!













BUT THE MOMENT HE SAW  
THE CAT -

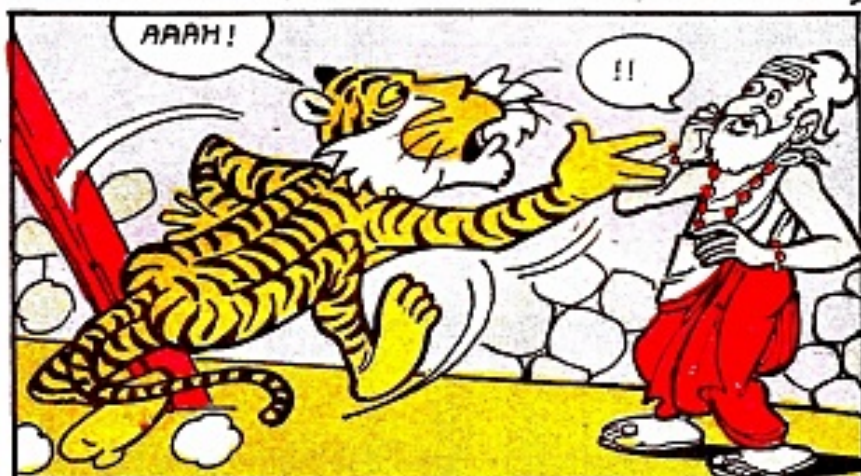


MEOWRR...  
SSSPT!



AAAH!

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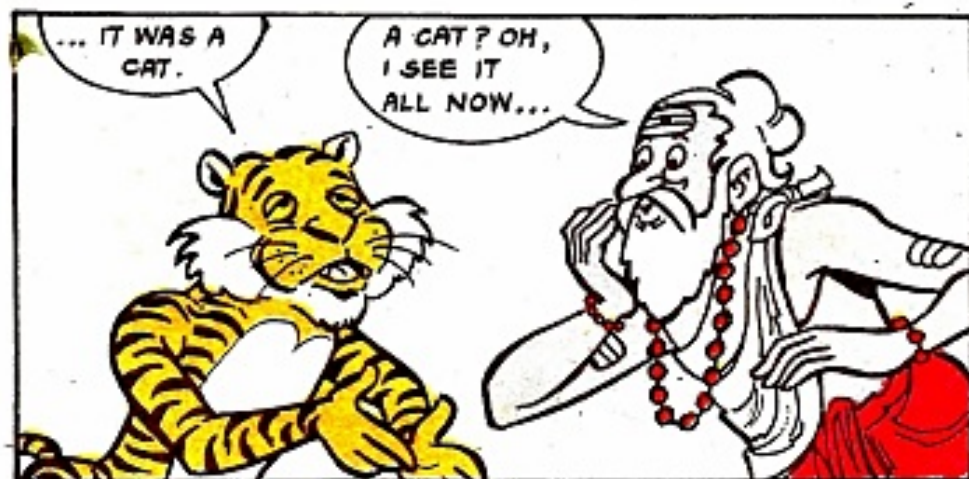
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!  
WHO CAN FRIGHTEN  
A TIGER? WHO WAS  
IT THIS TIME?

I CAN'T LIE TO  
YOU ANY  
MORE...



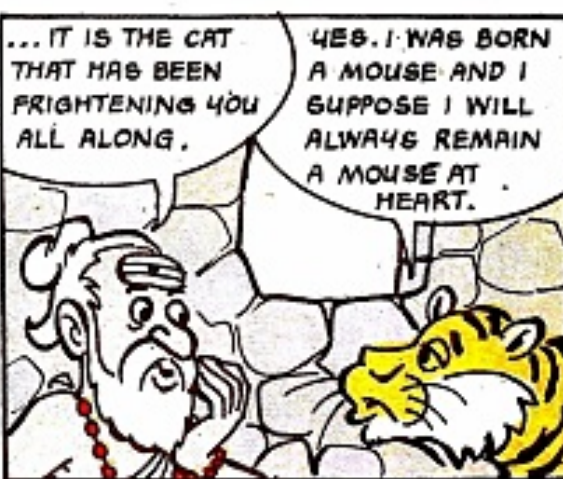
... IT WAS A  
CAT.

A CAT? OH,  
I SEE IT  
ALL NOW...



... IT IS THE CAT  
THAT HAS BEEN  
FRIGHTENING YOU  
ALL ALONG.

YES. I WAS BORN  
A MOUSE AND I  
SUPPOSE I WILL  
ALWAYS REMAIN  
A MOUSE AT  
HEART.



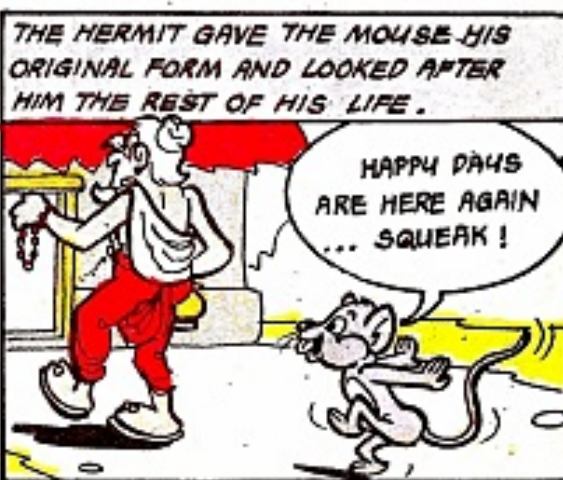
WOULD YOU LIKE  
TO BECOME A  
MOUSE AGAIN?

YES.  
YES, PLEASE.



THE HERMIT GAVE THE MOUSE HIS  
ORIGINAL FORM AND LOOKED AFTER  
HIM THE REST OF HIS LIFE.

HAPPY DAYS  
ARE HERE AGAIN  
... SQUEAK!







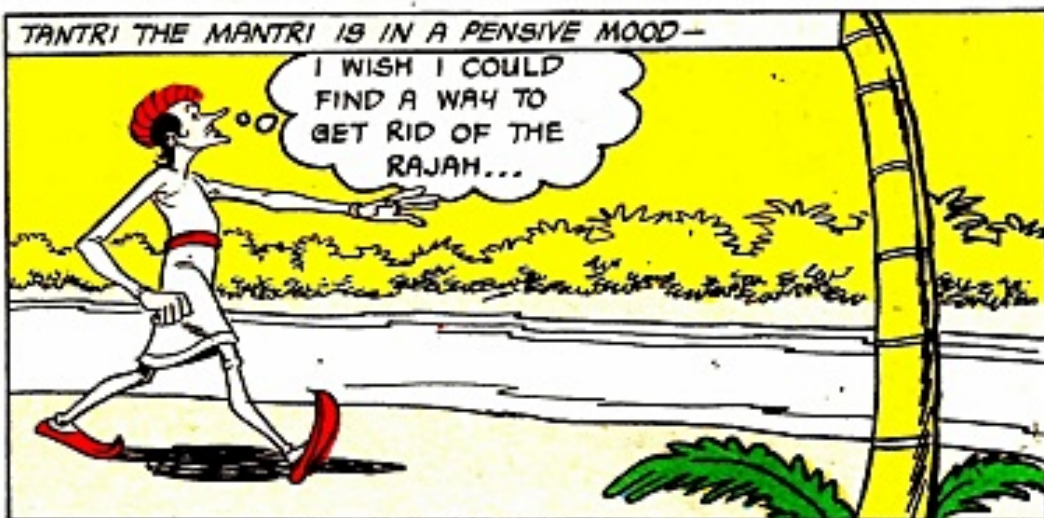
# TANTRI THE MANTRI

Script: Luis Fernandes.

Illustrations: V. Ajit Vasaikar

TANTRI THE MANTRI IS IN A PENSIVE MOOD—

I WISH I COULD  
FIND A WAY TO  
GET RID OF THE  
RAJAH...



... AND TAKE  
HIS PLACE ON  
THE THRONE.



?!



WHERE DID YOU  
COME FROM?

THE OTHER SIDE  
... BUT WHO ARE  
YOU?



TANTRI THE  
MANTRI.

OH, PARDON ME, YOUR  
EXCELLENCHY... I AM  
VERY SHORT-  
SIGHTED.



WHO IS IT,  
RAJ?



HIS EXCELLENCHY,  
TANTRI THE MANTRI.



AS I SAID, I'M  
SHORT-SIGHTED  
BUT MY BROTHER IS  
AS BLIND AS A  
BAT.

I SEE.  
BUT TELL  
ME...

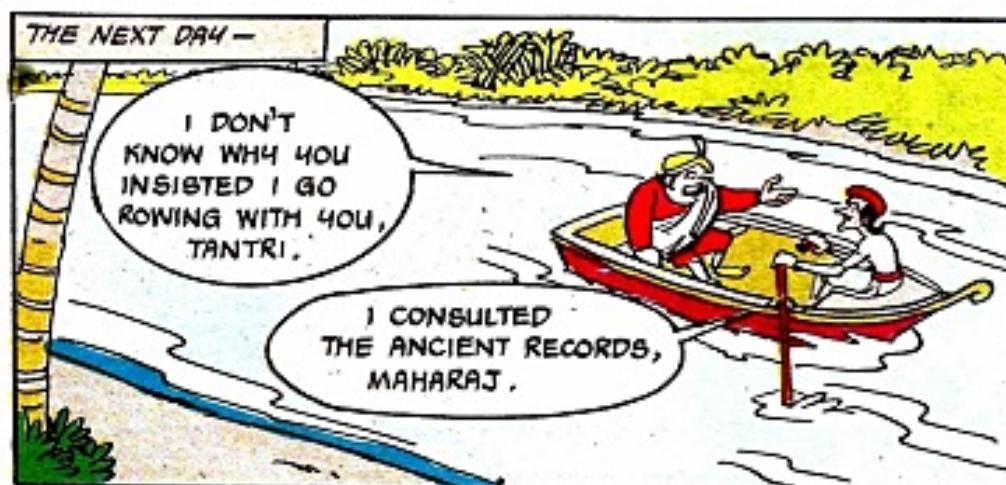


I DIDN'T SEE YOU  
SWIMMING ACROSS. DID  
YOU SWIM UNDERWATER?

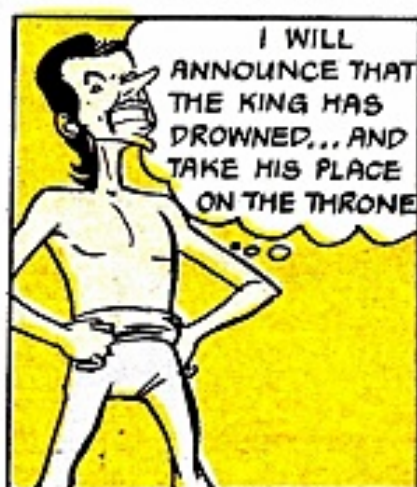
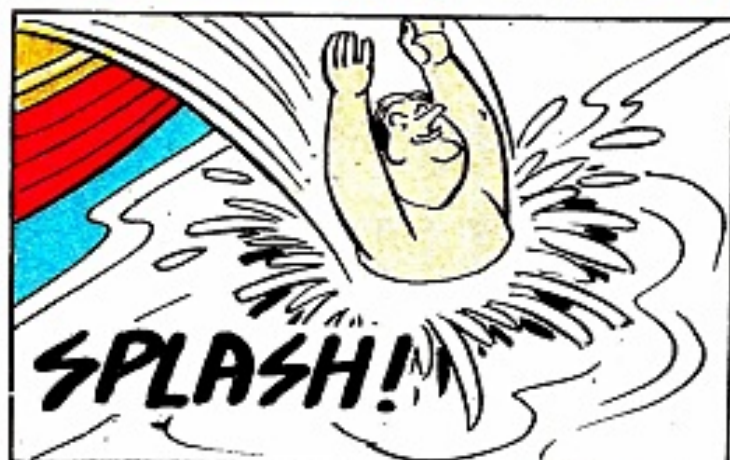
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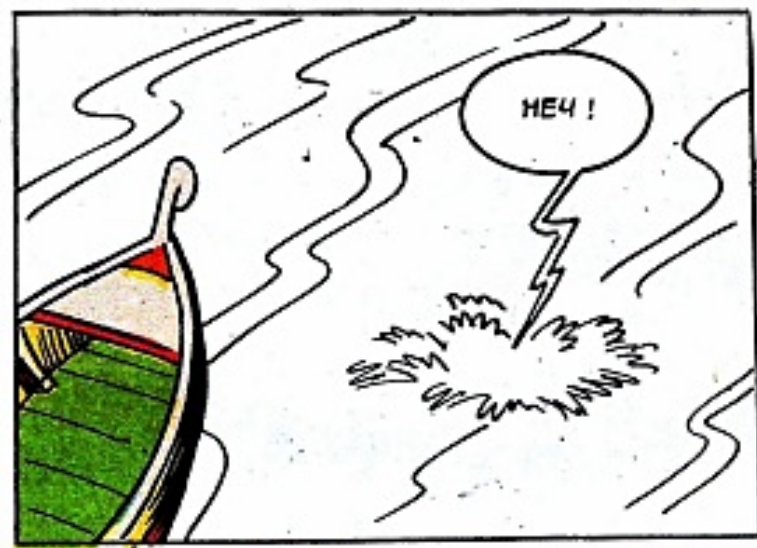














# THE DEAL

Illustrations: Ramanand Bhagat

Based on a story sent by Sabal-Al-Zarid  
C/o. St. Thomas School,  
Umpling, Shillong,  
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GOPAL WAS A HEAVY GAMBLER. ONE EVENING WHEN HE RETURNED HOME—

WHY ARE YOU  
LOOKING SO  
DOWNCAST?



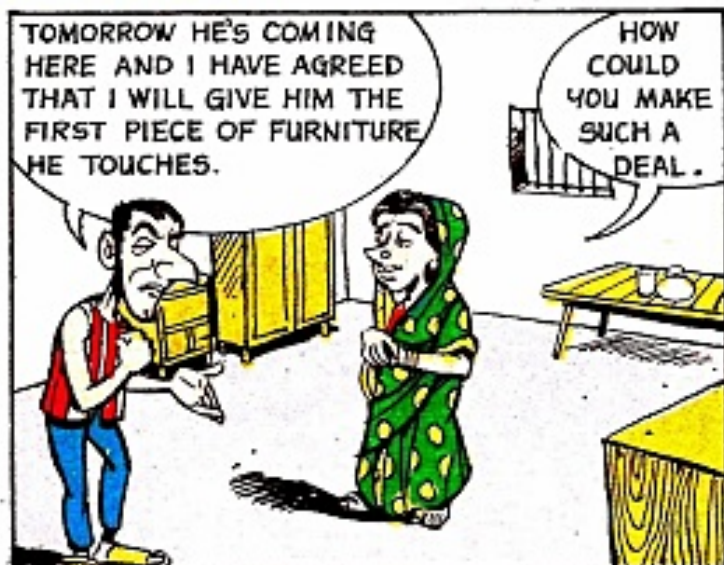
I HAVE GAMBLLED  
AWAY ALL OUR  
MONEY, AND I STILL  
OWE MONEY TO  
THE MAN I LOST  
TO.

NOW HOW  
WILL YOU PAY  
HIM?



TOMORROW HE'S COMING  
HERE AND I HAVE AGREED  
THAT I WILL GIVE HIM THE  
FIRST PIECE OF FURNITURE  
HE TOUCHES.

HOW  
COULD  
YOU MAKE  
SUCH A  
DEAL.



WHAT IF HE TOUCHES THE  
WARDROBE? WHERE WILL  
WE KEEP OUR CLOTHES  
THEN?

I... I...



THERE'S ONLY  
ONE WAY TO  
OUTWIT HIM...

THERE IS?  
HOW?



FIRST YOU'LL HAVE TO  
PROMISE ME THAT YOU'LL  
NEVER GAMBLE AGAIN.

I  
PROMISE.





THE NEXT DAY WHEN THE MAN TO WHOM GOPAL OWED THE MONEY CAME TO HIS HOUSE—

OH! SO YOU'VE KEPT ALL YOUR FURNITURE ON THE LOFT.

BUT I'M AFRAID THAT WON'T HELP YOU.

I'LL JUST BORROW THIS LADDER IF YOU DON'T MIND.

BUT THE MOMENT THE MAN TOUCHED THE RICKETY LADDER—

THAT'S YOURS.

EH?

THAT'S THE FIRST THING YOU TOUCHED, SO THE LADDER BELONGS TO YOU.

YOU'VE TRICKED ME!

OH, WELL! A DEAL IS A DEAL... BUT YOU CAN KEEP THAT LADDER.

YOU'RE SO CLEVER...

... AND I'M SUCH A FOOL. NO ONE CAN MAKE MONEY THROUGH GAMBLING. I'LL NEVER GAMBLE AGAIN.



Enter the  
**TINKLE**

# SPORTS QUIZ-2

1.



Who is the only Indian to have scored 36 runs in an over in first class cricket? Can you name the bowler on whose bowling the runs were scored off?

2.



In tennis, to achieve the Grand Slam is to win all four championships. Can you name them?

3.



Fill in the blanks:  
January 1988 witnessed the victory of Mike Tyson, the youngest heavyweight world champion, over \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ rounds.

4.



\_\_\_\_\_ is the only football player to have been with the world cup winning teams of 1958, 1962 and 1970.

5.



India beat \_\_\_\_\_ in the 1932 Los Angeles Olympics by 24-1 goals in hockey.

**Rush your entry to:**  
Tinkle Competition  
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## Prizes

1. The first 50 all-correct entries received by us will each win a colourful Tinkle Letterpad.

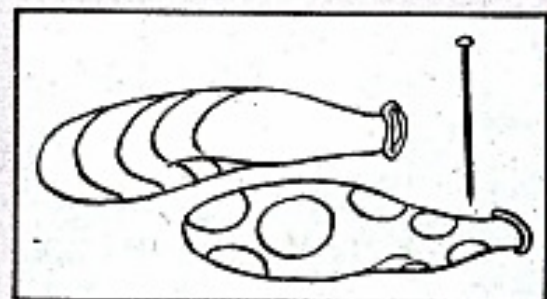
2. The next 50 all-correct entries received by us will each win a copy of Amar Chitra Katha.

Entry Form for TSQ is given on Cover page III

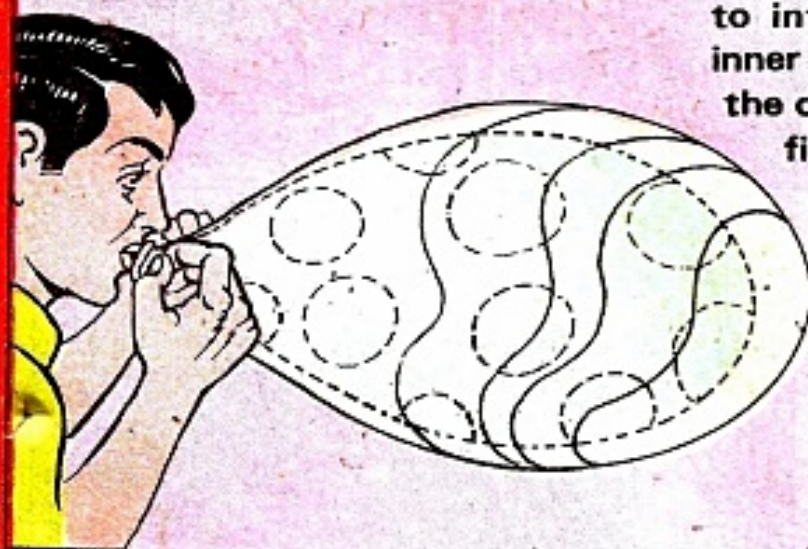


# PARTY FUN

**Things needed:** Two balloons of different colours, one needle or pin.

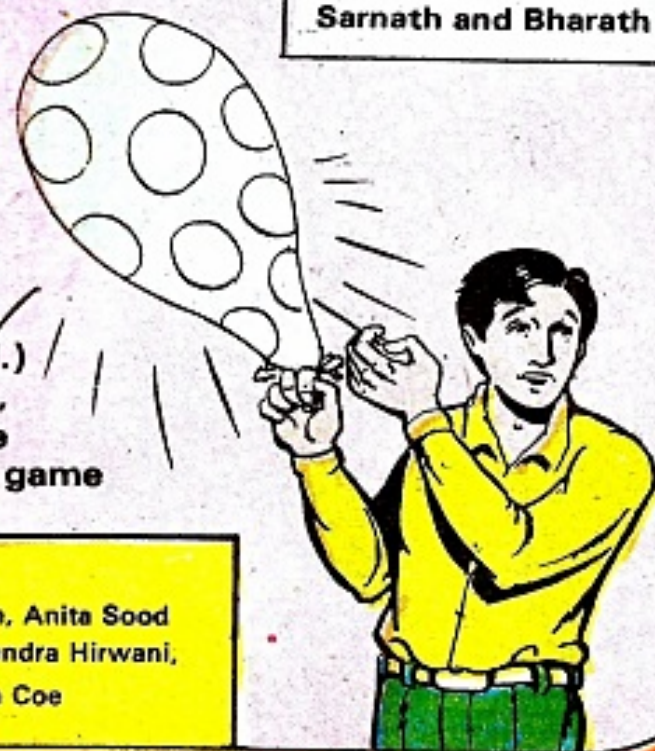


Put the lighter-coloured balloon inside the darker one and blow into the inner balloon to inflate both. Now tie the mouth of the inner balloon and blow a little more into the outer one to create a small space filled with air, between the two balloons. Then tie the mouth of the outer balloon also and hang it somewhere out of reach of your guests.



Based on an idea suggested by:  
**Sarnath and Bharath**

During the party, if you see that your guests are bored, insert the needle into the outer balloon. It will burst with a bang. Everyone's attention will be drawn to it. And they won't believe their eyes when they see the balloon intact (they will of course be seeing the inner balloon which is now exposed.) But now that you've got their attention, show them one or two other tricks (see Tinkle Nos. 142 and 144) or announce a game to liven up the party.



## SOLUTIONS TO TSP

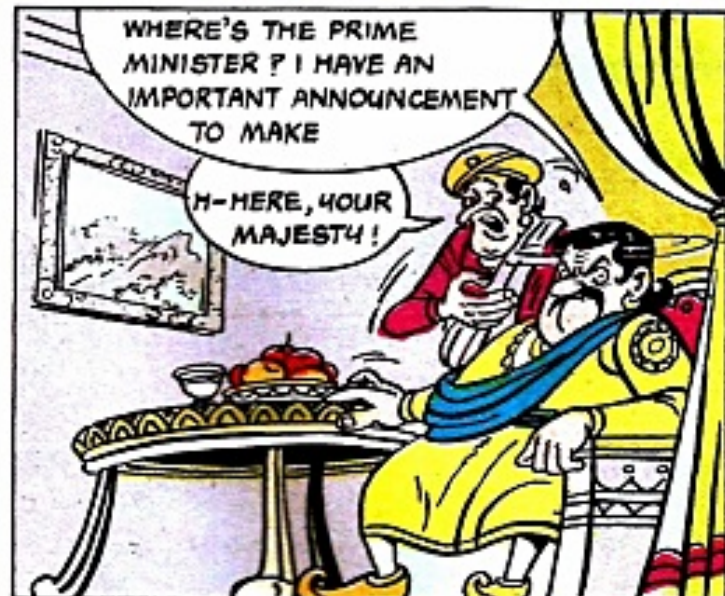
1. Pakistan and Soviet Union; Pakistan
2. Arti Pradhan, Anita Sood and Taranath Shenoy
3. Andrei Chesnokov
4. Narendra Hirwani, Robert Massie
5. Christina Cojocaru
6. Sebastian Coe



# A FOOLISH ORDER

Script : Prasad Iyer  
Illustrations : Anand Mande

THE RULER OF BONGA, KING MURKHA, WAS IN A FOUL TEMPER.





AND SO ALL ROUND OBJECTS IN THE KINGDOM  
ASSUMED DIFFERENT SHAPES.

AT THIS RATE WE'LL  
REACH OUR DESTINATION  
ONLY NEXT YEAR!

WAAH! MY ROLLER  
SKATES WON'T  
WORK!

OUCH!

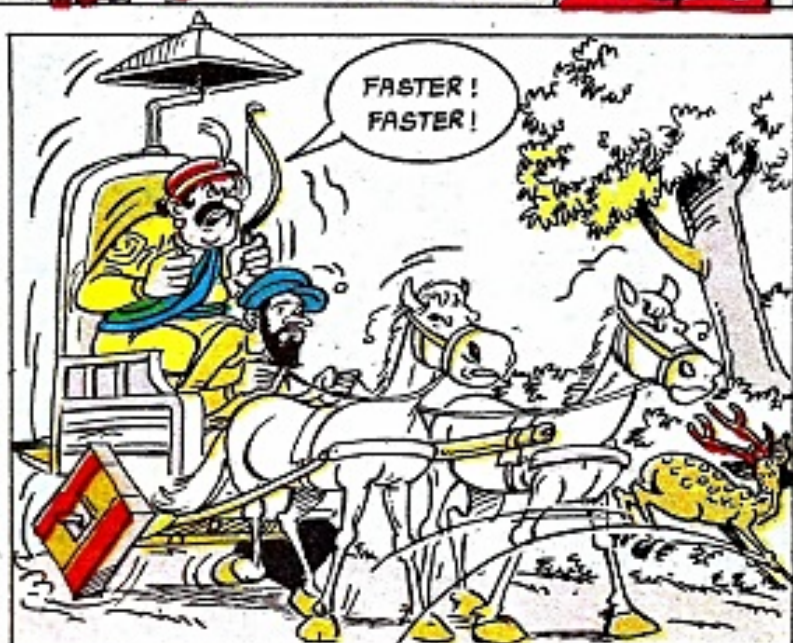


ONE DAY -

I AM GOING ON  
A HUNT - GET MY  
CHARIOT READY!

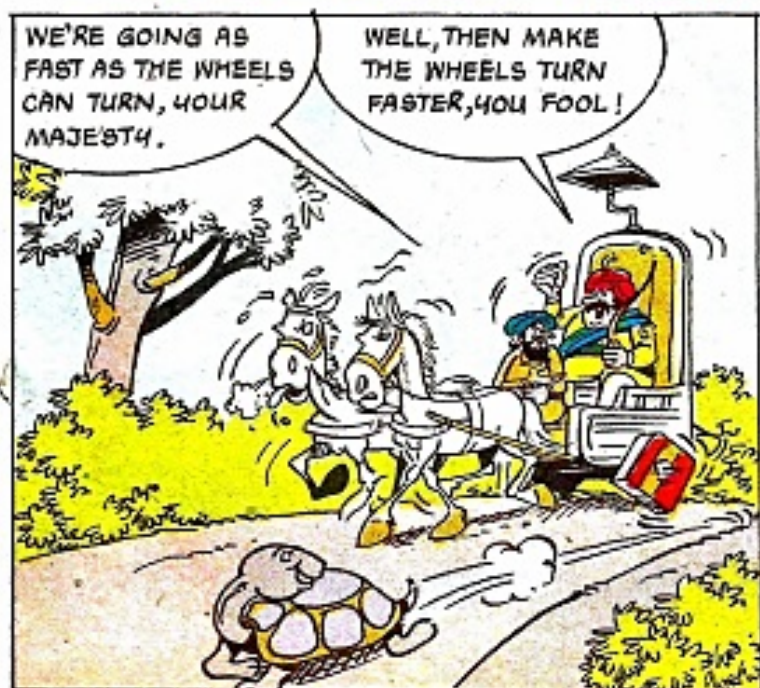


FASTER!  
FASTER!



WE'RE GOING AS  
FAST AS THE WHEELS  
CAN TURN, YOUR  
MAJESTY.

WELL, THEN MAKE  
THE WHEELS TURN  
FASTER, YOU FOOL!



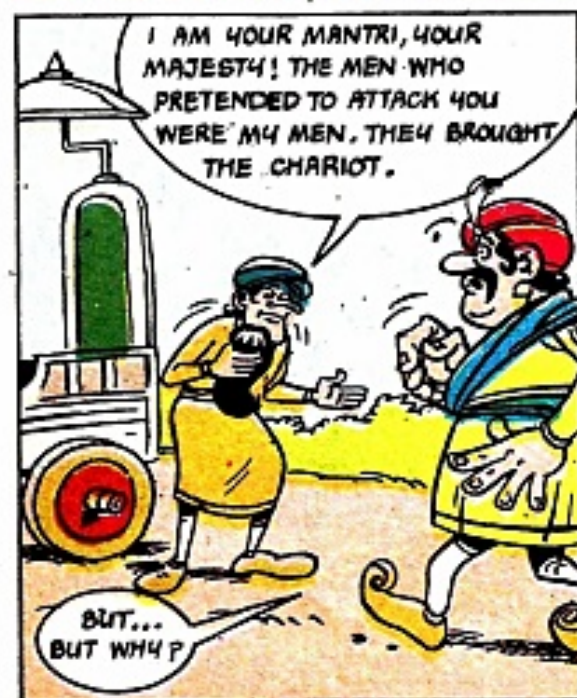
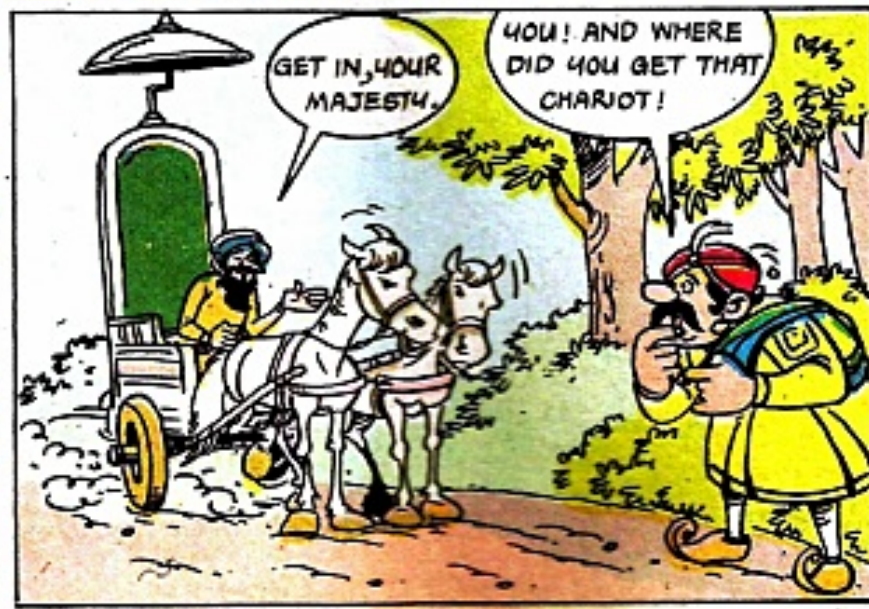
SUDDENLY -

IT'S THE KING!  
GET HIM!

YOU'D BETTER FLEE  
ON FOOT, YOUR  
MAJESTY.









Readers' Choice

# SECRET ADDRESS

A Suppandi Tale

Based on a story sent by  
Jayashree Belurkar  
House No. D-3-3,  
Bhatlem,  
Panaji, Goa.

Illustrations:  
Ram Wasekar





# A TOUGH MOUTHFUL

Readers' Choice

Based on a story sent by A. S. Sudharshan  
B.H.E.L. Township, A-8-60, Bangalore-560 040.

Illustrations : Anand Mande

ONCE A SHIPWRECKED MAN WAS  
WASHED ASHORE ON AN ISLAND...



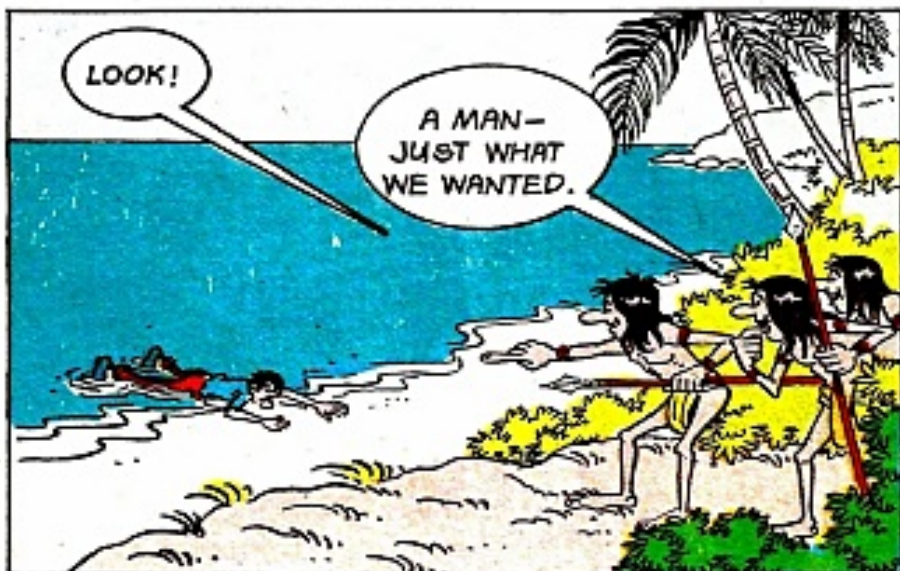
...INHABITED BY CANNIBALS -

I HOPE WE FIND  
SOME FOOD TODAY,  
OTHERWISE THE  
CHIEF WILL  
KILL ONE OF US.



LOOK!

A MAN -  
JUST WHAT  
WE WANTED.



THE CHIEF WILL  
BE HAPPY.

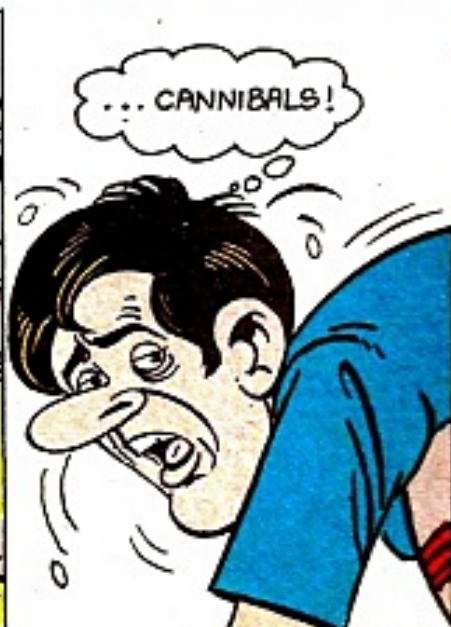


WHERE AM  
I... WHO ARE  
THESE PEOPLE!

HE'S A BIT LEAN,  
BUT SOMETHING'S  
BETTER THAN  
NOTHING...



... CANNIBALS!



I MUST  
DO SOMETHING  
BEFORE I  
WIND UP IN  
THEIR COOKING  
POT.







GREETINGS,  
O CHIEF! SEE WHAT  
WE HAVE BROUGHT  
TODAY.

GOOD WORK, MY  
BOYS. PREPARE  
FOR THE FEAST  
RIGHT AWAY.



I WANT TO WARN  
YOU THAT MY FLESH  
IS TASTELESS AND  
IT WILL MAKE  
YOU SICK.



TAKE A BITE  
OF MY LEG AND  
SEE.



TAKE (YECH!) THAT  
FELLOW AND THROW HIM  
WHEREVER YOU FOUND  
HIM.

HE'S  
UNEATABLE!



HEE! HEE! I KNEW HE  
WOULDN'T LIKE THE  
TASTE OF MY WOODEN  
LEG.

AND HERE  
COMES A BOAT  
TO RESCUE  
ME.

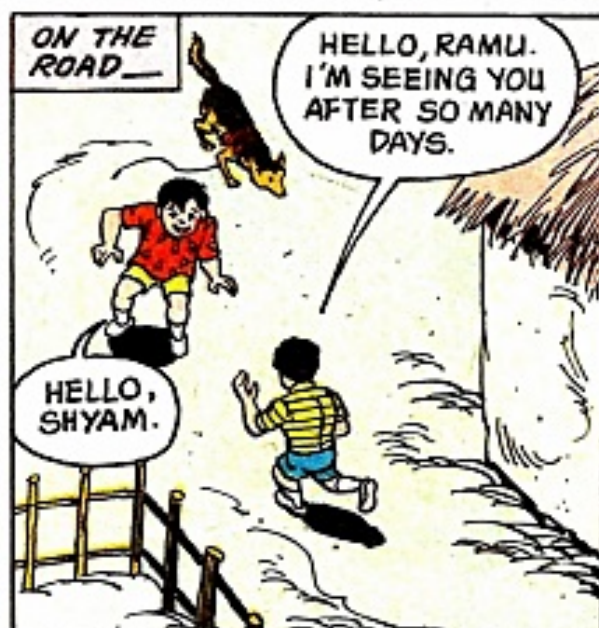
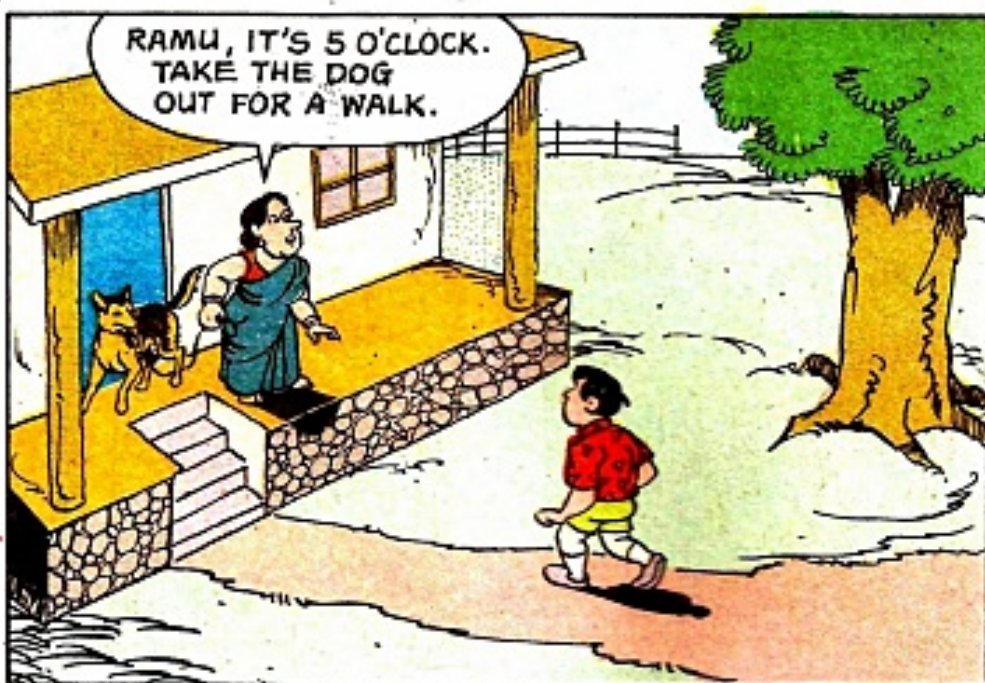


Complete-the-Story  
Competition No. 34

# WALKING THE DOG

Script:  
Shobha Rao

Illustrations:  
Ramanand Bhagat



## WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Complete the story in 200 or fewer words and send it to us by May 30, 1988. The best entry will win Rs. 60! There will be second and third prizes of Rs. 30 and Rs. 20 respectively. Also, twenty consolation prizes of Echo Books.



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ONE DAY NASRUDDIN HODJA WENT SHOPPING -

GIVE ME HALF A  
DOZEN OF THOSE  
MANGOES PLEASE.

THERE'S HODJA BUYING  
MANGOES. I'M SURE HE  
WILL GIVE ME SOME  
MANGOES...

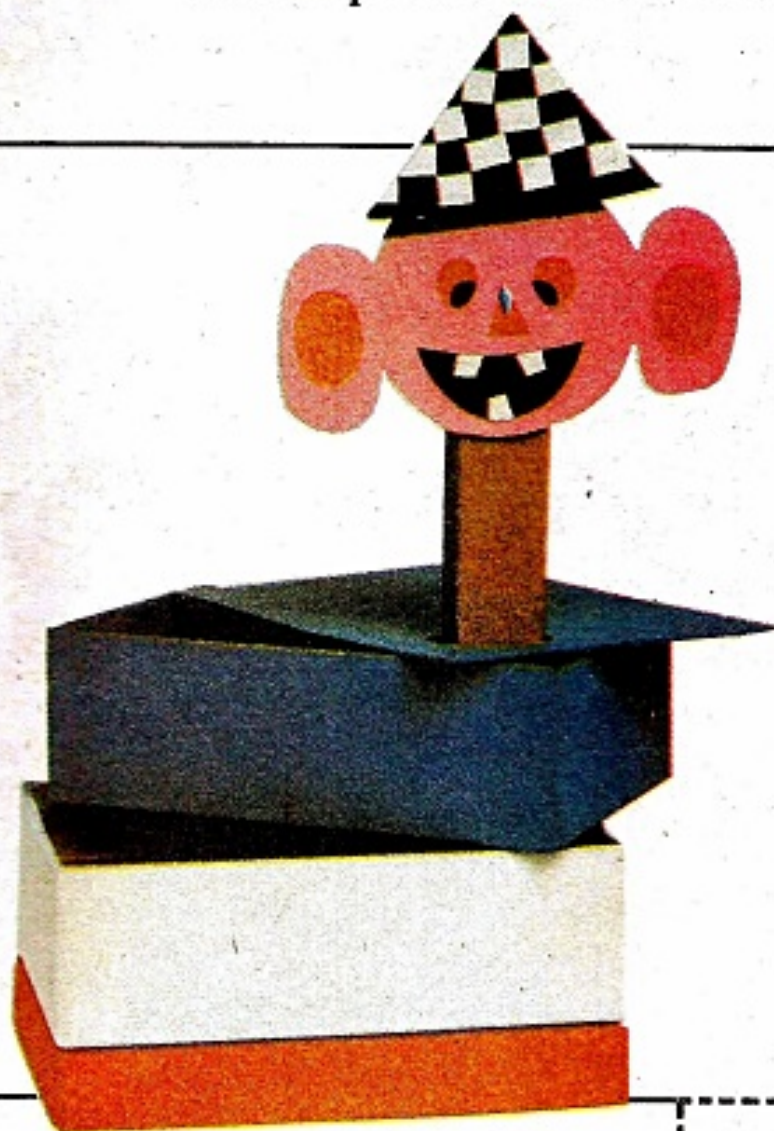




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# KALIA THE CROW

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CHAMATAKA, I WISH I COULD CATCH SOME FROGS, BUT THEY'RE TOO QUICK FOR ME!

IT'S BECAUSE YOU'VE BECOME FAT AND LAZY.

BUT I'VE GOT AN IDEA! LISTEN ... BZZ ... BZZ ...

WHAT A CLEVER PLAN!

THE NEXT DAY -

EEEK! IT'S DOOB DOOB!

I MUST FLEE!

I MUST TELL KALIA ABOUT THIS!

HEE HEE! KEEP THEM COMING, DOOB DOOB!

BONK BONK

OW! OW!

OH, OH!

KALIA, CHAMATAKA AND DOOB DOOB ARE CATCHING FROGS BY THE DOZEN AT THE LAKESIDE.

QUICK! LET'S GET THERE!



LOOK! HE'S EVEN  
GOT A SACK TO  
CARRY THEM IN.

WE MUST SAVE THEM AND  
I KNOW HOW... YOU MUST  
HIDE IN THE SACK AND...  
BZZ... BZZ...

FINE!

NOW I'LL PUT  
THEM IN THE SACK  
ONE BY ONE.

YOU'VE CAUGHT  
DOZENS OF  
THEM.

LOOK, I KNOW A  
QUIET PLACE ON THE  
OTHER SIDE OF THE  
LAKE. LET'S GO  
THERE AND EAT  
THEM...

A GOOD IDEA. YOU  
CAN SWIM ACROSS  
WITH ME ON YOUR  
BACK.

AND SO -

WHAT WAS  
THAT  
SOUND?

PLOP!

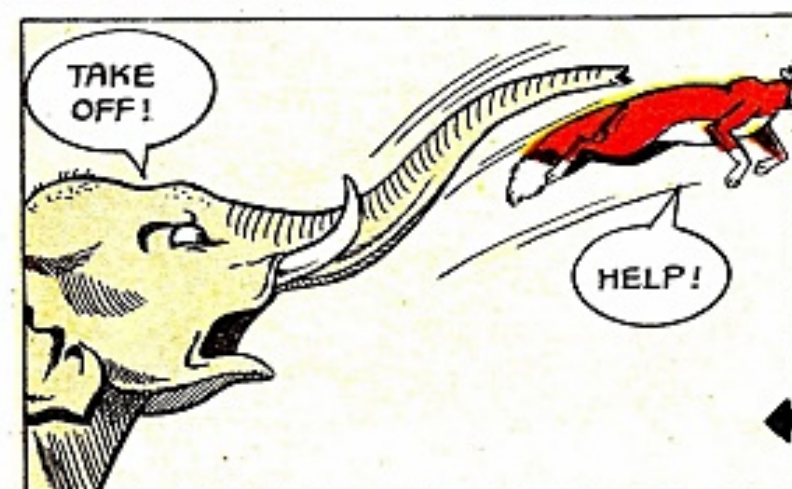
WHAT SOUND?

THERE IT IS  
AGAIN.

PLOP!

HEY! THE SACK IS  
EMPTY! THEY'VE  
ESCAPED! ALL THE  
FROGS HAVE  
ESCAPED!







# Raghu

Based on an idea sent by Master Vinod Rao, Bombay



## See and Smile

Based on an idea sent by Sanjay J. Awari  
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I thank you very much for the prize I received in the Complete-the-Story competition No. 31. My friends thought that the names announced in Tinkle as prize-winners were all fictitious. But now they no longer think so. The prize book titled "Dog Detective Ranjha" by Pratap Sharma, was really very nice and I had a good time reading it.

**Gautam Sarnaik,**

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I am a regular reader of Tinkle and I specially read the "Readers Write" column in order to know what others think of the magazine. When I received Tinkle No. 142 I saw the letter sent by S. Ramesh of Bombay in which he pleaded for computer education. I think this was a very good request and I too request you to introduce this feature in Tinkle.

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C/o Capt. S. Pillai, Baghdad, Iraq.

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**Babul Krishna,**

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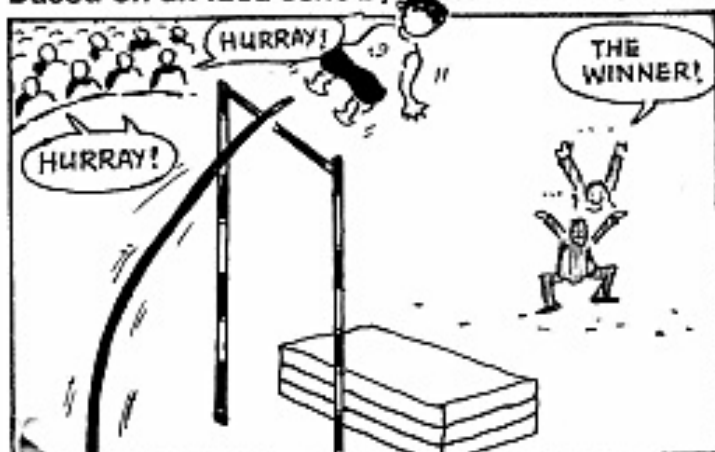
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